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## U.S. Navy High Speed Vessel Arrives in Lima

The distinctively designed, high speed catamaran, HSV Swift, arrived in Callao on Thursday as part of the annual deployment of U.S. Ships to the Caribbean and Latin America, called Southern Partnership Station. The Swift is scheduled to be in Peru for several weeks while American Sailors and Marines engage with their Peruvian military counterparts in a series of joint activities.

U.S. Navy construction specialists, know as Seabees, from the Swift will work side-by-side with Peruvian Marine Engineers on some small community construction projects in Callao. In addition, U.S. Navy doctors, veterinarians and security experts will meet with their Peruvian military counterparts.

"The variety of skills that the Southern Partnership Station (SPS) team possesses is amazing," said Cmdr. Garry Wright, SPS Mission Commander. "Their capabilities allow us to make lasting bonds with our Peruvian partners in a variety of fields. Each interaction over the next three weeks will help us to learn more about our professions and make our partnership with the Peruvians even stronger."